

Biotechnology/Chemical/Pharmaceutical Customer Partnership Conference

Thursday, September 17, 2020

9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET

United States Patent and Trademark Office

9:00 – 9:10 a.m.	Welcoming and opening remarks	Damian Porcari Director, Midwest Regional Office, USPTO Gary Jones Director, TC1600, USPTO Daniel Sullivan Director, TC1600, USPTO Andrew Wang Director, TC1600, USPTO
9:10 – 9:50 a.m.	Antibodies and the written description requirement of 35 U.S.C. 112(a)	Daniel Kolker SPE, TC1600, USPTO
9:50 – 10:20 a.m.	Written description for antibodies and other biologics	Carla Mouta-Bellum, Ph.D., J.D. Partner, Arrigo, Lee, Guttman & Mouta-Bellum
10:20 – 10:30 a.m.	Break	
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Faster at the USPTO: expedited patent prosecution process	Kalyan Deshpande Lead Administrative Patent Judge, PTAB, USPTO David C. McKone Lead Administrative Patent Judge, PTAB, USPTO Kery Fries Senior Legal Advisor, OPLA, USPTO
11:30 – 12:00 p.m.	Patent application initiatives	Christopher M. Babic SPE, TC1600, USPTO
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch break	
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Revised patent subject matter eligibility guidance	Zachariah Lucas QAS, TC1600, USPTO

2:30 – 3:20 p.m.	The impact of 101 on pharmaceutical patents	MaCharri R. Vorndran-Jones, J.D. Assistant General Patent Counsel James P. Leeds, J.D. Assistant General Patent Counsel Eli Lilly and Company
3:20 – 3:30 p.m.	Break	
3:30 – 4:20 p.m.	IP and Vaccines in the age of COVID	Kevin E. Noonan, Ph.D. Partner, McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff LLP
4:20 – 4:50 p.m.	Basic introduction to searching patent sequence data using BLAST	Peter S. Cooper, Ph.D. Staff Scientist User services, National Center for Biotechnology Information, NLM/NIH
	Lens Patseq: An open facility for biotech patent professionals	Osmat A. Jefferson, Ph.D. Director, Lens Product Development, Cambia Professor of Science, Technology, and Law, Queensland University of Technology
4:50 – 5:00 p.m.	Closing remarks	TC1600 Directors